

# SENATOR WATSON BLAMES ELIHU ROOT FOR KOREAN MASSACRES

## VIOLATION OF TREATY ALLOWED

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and then was to the combination of nations which united to oppress them in the time of their weakness and distress."

"If we ratify this treaty," he declared, "we deliberately take our place alongside the imperialists of Japan, Great Britain and France, in order to profit by the misfortunes of Germany, Russia, and China."

"We will be called upon to pay the penalty, even as the British Empire and the Japanese Empire must pay the penalty of their misdeeds. But fortunately for us the path of honor for us leads away from this unholy combination of exploiting nations."

### Assails Designs of Pact.

The Wisconsin Senator tore into the Pacific pact with all the forensic fury for which he is famed. The design of the treaty, he declared, is "to secure our cordial co-operation with Japan in her atrocities in China, Siberia and Korea; with Great Britain in her debauchery and robbery of the Chinese, and in her holding India in subjection."

"Let us keep our position of freedom from entangling alliances," he exhorted. "In that position we can follow our own ideals, we can support the cause of justice and condemn the acts of injustice among nations according to our convictions of right and wrong. Both our honor and our self-interest require that we should maintain ourselves in that position by rejecting this treaty."

### Outrages by Japan In Korea Attributed By Watson to Root

Senator Thomas E. Watson of Georgia, opposing the Four-Power Pacific Treaty in the Senate late yesterday, repeated the charge that Elihu Root was the dominating influence behind the drafting of the treaty. Senator Watson said in part:

"Who wrote this treaty? Whose brain conceived it? Whose will power put it through? I am confident that Elihu Root is the man who engineered the whole thing."

"It will be remembered that Charles Edward Russell, who is occasionally a Socialist, went with Elihu Root to Russia. The Russian armies had been withdrawn temporarily from the combat. Soon after Mr. Root arrived and had a conference with Kerensky, those armies were put back into the conflict and that was the main cause of the second revolution which put Kerensky out and put Lenin in."

"Elihu Root is arraigned now for having been the principal author of the misfortunes of Korea, which misfortunes led to the persecution by Japan of the Churches of Christ in that country. That country has been converted to Christianity. She has thousands of churches, thousands of school houses, 9,000,000 converts."

"They have been subject to massacre and torture, and Christ is being again crucified in their persons by the Japanese, and it was Elihu Root who made possible that dreadful situation."

## SAMMY AND HIS PALS

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## Lodge Thrown Into Dismay When Cravath Gives Genesis of Treaty

By PHILIP FRANCIS.

It was funny to see Lodge and Underwood go up in the air when Borah sprang the stenographic report of Cravath's speech upon them.

That straight right hand blow caught Lodge right in the pit of his Senatorial stomach. It was a painful shock. Lodge was so astonished that he lost complete command of himself. He was as fussed up as an old hen suddenly shooed off her nest. It was necessary to drop the debate and put on some routine Senatorial business while the elder Cravath, known very well just what Mr. Balfour was scheming to get from Hughes and Lodge and Underwood—and just what he got it.

All that Lodge and Underwood could say was that Cravath had lied. But he didn't. Not in this instance. He told the truth about the genesis of the treaty, though he may have embellished the story with a few bits of color. Being a trusted attorney for the house of Morgan, and a busy pro-British propagandist during the war, Cravath knows very well just what Mr. Balfour was scheming to get from Hughes and Lodge and Underwood—and just what he got it.

There was nothing new in what Cravath said. Plenty of us knew all that he told before he told it. But it was a satisfaction to have this confidential lawyer of the international bankers and the British government spill the beans so beautifully.

No, Cravath didn't tell a lie. He simply talked out of his turn. He should not have told inside secrets until the job was finished. That's all.

This exposure of the inside workings of British diplomacy and the international bankers has had a disturbing effect upon several Senators who thoroughly dislike and distrust the treaties in their hearts, but who have hushed their misgivings "in the interest of party harmony."

That old stock-in-trade excuse of party bosses has been excused of party bosses by the Administration whippersnappers.

It is always used to induce men who want to be faithful to their own instincts of patriotism to do something which they feel they should not do. And there are at least four—and I think six—Republican Senators who don't want to vote for these treaties, but who have so far compromised with their own better judgments and their own better consciences "in the interest of party harmony."

Now, this revelation by one of the chief attorneys of the international bankers and one of the most willing and ardent tools of British propaganda has made it still harder for these Senators to do what the Administration and the international bankers and British diplomacy want them to do. And every day the surrender of their conscience and their judgment and their country's real interest becomes more distasteful to them.

Whether these men will vote as

their judgments and consciences tell them they should vote, or whether they will yield to the urgency and the pressure of party leadership, I do not pretend to say. But it can be depended upon that they don't want to vote for this treaty, and that this exposure of Cravath's congratulatory speech to his inner audience may cause these reluctant Senators to break out of the Root-Balfour corral and come over to the American side. In which case, good-bye treaty—and the devil take you, you ugly, cowardly, un-American thing!

The international bankers were down here the other day with another one of their characteristic propositions.

They wanted to know if the Administration would approve a loan of \$50,000,000 to the city of Paris and another loan of \$30,000,000 to finance one of the French railways. If the Administration approved, they would make the loan—the kind creatures. Afterwards, they would dump the securities into the Federal Reserve. That is, they would borrow the money from the Federal Reserve at 3½ per cent, lend it to the dear French at 5½ or 6 per cent, take a neat commission for negotiating the loan, and so perform another profitable deed of unselfish altruism in bleeding France.

The Cabinet was divided upon this noble and unselfish proposal, but the hard-headed business objections of a Secretary not wholly unknown in Massachusetts finally overcame the favorable insistence of another Secretary who is equally well known to gentlemen who have foodstuffs to sell in large

## Raps On White House Door—Asks to See Pres. Wilson

"I want to see President Wilson," Peter S. Speis, a native of Russia, asked of White House guards today saying that he had some advice to give him and to ask of him.

Speis, who lives in Philadelphia, said that he did not know "resident Harding and therefore did not wish to see him, but felt that he knew President Wilson very well because, he said, "I have a picture of him at home."

quantities, and so the scheme died a boring.

The only reason for mentioning this little attempted raid on the Federal Reserve is to emphasize the fact that nothing escapes the ardent attention of the international bankers crowd, and that even their intense interest in putting through this treaty with their London and Tokyo allies does not hinder them from stepping aside to do a job of patriotic and charitable pocket-picking.

Some good people do not believe that these treaties are a job of the international bankers. Well, they are, just the same. And here is a little inside information that is only one proof among dozens.

The funding commission has already got so far, in private consultation, as to agree that England will finally pay us what she owes us, and that none of the rest of them will ever pay us a cent. That is to say, England will pay if she can. And if she cannot, then the international bankers who hold billions of securities, will stand to lose about all the profits of their 100 per cent patriotism.

Now, then, the British Empire was never in such desperate straits as it is this day. Not in all its history. The reason for this is that they don't want to patch up some kind of compromise with Ireland, and get its troops out of Ireland, was to have those troops sent to India. Some of them are in India now.

Others are on their way to the Mohammedan world against England, with the object of so weakening England in Asia that she can offer no effective opposition to the French design of setting up a military empire over the continent of Europe. For that is exactly what Poincaré, an arch-chauvinist and imperialist, proposes to do.

Naturally, the international bankers are deeply interested in seeing England maintain her Asiatic empire and her occupation of Constantinople, which dominates Russia's trade outlet to the sea, and this treaty of alliance which will be voted upon Friday is the last prop of England's dominion in Asia, and the last hope of the international bankers, who have staked their all on England's continued supremacy over the seas and the trade of the world.

As it goes with England's political power, so it goes with England's financial power to pay the billions she owes the international bankers. And that is why the international bankers and their counsel and their political tools are all working night and day to put our money and our strength at the command of England. You see the point, don't you?

It would be a good thing if you used the telegraph wires to let your Senators know that you do see it—and that you won't forget it next election day, either.

When I want to laugh, I turn over the files of the papers printed during the war period and read some of the fervent editorials and the more fervent oratorical raptures of those days of supreme silliness. Most amusing of all are the solemn assurances, then fashionably copied from Woodrow Wilson's rhapsodies, that when wicked Germany had been beaten and chained, secret diplomacy and militarism would disappear. Germany was beaten and is certainly chained—and look at Europe.

Every practice of secret diplomacy, every device of intrigue and militarism is being repeated on a magnified scale. The victors are more quarrelsome and more greedy than the vanquished were ever accused of being. There are more soldiers under arms and eating the bread and consuming the production of the working masses than there were before the war. The Asiatic world is stirred from center to circumference by the plots and intrigues of the two principal victor powers. Nothing can prevent another war, when intrigue gives place to blows over the final disposition of the spoils of the vanquished. The stage is all set, right under the eyes of all who have eyes to see and who have brains enough to learn from the invariable lessons of the past what to expect in the future.

Into this welter of secret diplomacy, suspicion, greed, hatred, rapacity, and every other vile practice and emotion that we went to war with the ridiculous expectation of abolishing, the cunning Balfour and the equally cunning Root have planned to thrust again our riches and our strength. Not for America's sake. Not a bit of it. But for the sake of England and the big bankers. The man who cannot see that may not be a natural fool, but he certainly is childishly ignorant of the ways of politics and diplomacy and high finance.

Our big, strong, good-natured, rich America is being sold out by these cunning financiers and their foreign allies and domestic tools.

That is just what they threaten us with, folks. They have fooled lots of you, and you do not understand their game yet. But you will some day.

Some day we must all pay for this amazing folly. Pay in money. Pay in blood. Believe it or not, you will pay, and pay just that way.

There is just one door of escape. Talk to your Senators and brace up those who know well that they ought not to vote for these treaties of alliance with foreign diplomacies, but who shrink from incurring the ill-will of the powerful financial and po-

## FOUR DISTRICT MEASURES ARE GIVEN HEARING

Subcommittee of House Gives Consideration to D. C. Improvements.

Four bills for the District of Columbia were considered today by a subcommittee of the District Committee and will be reported to the House this week.

One provides for the widening of Ninth street, from Longfellow to Underwood streets northwest and of Underwood street from Ninth street to Georgia avenue.

The committee also approved the measure which compels the Baltimore and Ohio railroad to permit other railroads to use their freight tracks, which run to the trestles at Second and M streets northeast.

It further provides that the Interstate Commerce Commission shall set the rates to be charged for use of the tracks in question by other roads.

James T. Lloyd, attorney for the Optometrists' Association of the District, appeared before the committee and urged the passage of a measure to regulate the practice of optometry. The bill was referred to a special subcommittee comprising Congressman Millsbaugh of Missouri, Congressman Woods of Virginia, and Congressman Underhill of Massachusetts.

The question of the extension of the Fourteenth street through the Walter Reed Hospital grounds was discussed today. It was decided to have Congressman Poht, chairman of the District committee, confer with Chairman Kahn, of the military affairs committee, to see if some agreement on the bill could not be reached. Both committees are taking up the measure.

litical interests pressing these treaties upon the Senate.

If you can brace up one or two of these hesitating and perplexed men next Friday will be a day of rejoicing and triumph, instead of a fateful and disastrous day in the history of our big, strong, splendid and dear America.

There are the wires. There are the mails. Use them, folks. Speak to your Senators. And talk American to them!

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### JUDGE REFUSES GUARDIAN FOR NEGRO OIL QUEEN

KANSAS CITY, March 22.—Judge Jules E. Guinotte, of the probate court, refused to grant an application for the appointment of a guardian for Sarah Rector, twenty-year-old negro oil queen of Oklahoma, said to be one of the richest negroes in America.

The application was filed several months ago by John Collins, negro of Muskogee, Okla., who charged that because of her age the girl was incompetent to handle the large income derived from her oil properties and other sources and would dissipate her fortune unless protected by a guardian. It also was set out in the application that a guardian should be appointed to comply with the provisions of a recent Missouri law which raised the age of majority of women from eighteen to twenty-one years.

Guinotte, in refusing to grant the application, held that the majority law was not retroactive. Testimony showed that she was of legal age under the old law. The Rector girl, who lives with her mother, Mrs. Rose Rector, owns more than \$750,000 in oil properties in her own name.

## LAWYER NAMED AS MEMBER OF SANITARY BODY

Bond Smith to Succeed Curtis on Suburban Commission.

The appointment of J. Bond Smith, prominent Washington attorney, to the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, was announced today. Mr. Smith will succeed William P. S. Curtis, Washington attorney, residing in Chevy Chase, whose term of office will expire on June 15, the date of effective of Mr. Smith's appointment.

The appointment was made on the recommendation of the Maryland board of health, by the Montgomery county commissioners, and Mr. Smith will represent that county on the commission. The second member of the commission will be appointed from Prince Georges county. The third member will be an appointee of the governor of Maryland.

Because of Mr. Smith's long activities for better water and sewerage systems for suburban Washington, his appointment is widely indorsed.

"I have not been officially notified of my appointment, but was notified unofficially that I had been named to the commission," Mr. Smith said today.

The new commissioner declined to make any suggestions as to future policies of the commission, but declared he was heart and soul for more adequate water and sewerage systems for suburban Washington. Term of the appointment is for four years, and the position carries a salary of \$2,000 per annum.

### JEERIE ENRICHED BY SLAUGHTER OF SKEETERS

TRENTON, N. J., March 22.—

Mosquito extermination in large part is responsible for the 307 per cent increase in the value of taxable property in New Jersey from 1899 to 1921. This is the opinion of the State department of conservation and development, although it is not claimed that the war on skeeters, first undertaken in 1900, is the only cause.

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